

Minutes from Brentwood Village Improvement District meeting 5/25/16 at 10 am at Piccolo Verde

The meeting was brought to order. The agenda and minutes from the previous meeting were circulated and approved.

Lisa Pinto from Congressman Lieu's office was introduced and we welcomed BID City Officials Rick Scott, Rita Moreno and Miranda Paster.

Per the agenda, Lisa Pinto gave a brief history of the lawsuit which has led to the recent changes in the present and future vision for the WLA VA. There will be a solicitation for contractors to execute the master plan which we are advised to stay on top of by August. We need to make sure any vendor awarded with development is aware of our need 'to fit in'. We need to continue to be Veteran Centric and to support the WLA VA. Lisa advised us to stay in close touch with the VA every 30 days and to develop a relationship with the new community interface appointee when known.

Tim Byk made us aware of the noon deadline for the CVEB (community veteran engagement board) and sent sign ups out via email to Marcie and Jennifer. If we get a seat on the roundtable we will be able to remain visible.

Tim proposed that the BID budget be increased by 3% for 2016. Bob Jensen seconded the motion. A vote was taken. The motion was passed.

Miranda shared that the DWP will no longer be supporting lighting grants. There will possibly be some funds donated to the city. We will be able to apply for a portion of the funds if donated. The likelihood of getting any of these funds looks grim.

Jennifer as the BVCC representative donated 5,000 towards our lighting for 2015. Several present indicated they would help us contact the lighting vendor who is avoiding calls.

Julianna gave the financial report including a complaint regarding Ric Robertson's non responsiveness and dissatisfaction with his charges. Tim Byk offered to get a response from him.

Miranda explained that BID committees can work separately in side meetings and report to the board.

Clyde Augustson observed that the VA master plan will have an impact on city streets.

Lisa Pinto resumed her discussion of the parking lot status, reviewed the language in the legislation and discussed how we can qualify for a 50 year use. She urged us to stay on our path. We have done good work to date and must stay vigilant.

Tim Byk suggested we contact Richard Scott for a donation. Lisa suggested to meet with the VA to ascertain where and how his payments to the VA are used. Maybe we can earmark those funds for our community projects to benefit the WLA VA.

Tim Byk suggested we hold another meeting dedicated to the parking lot.

Meeting was adjourned.

Marcie Polier Swartz